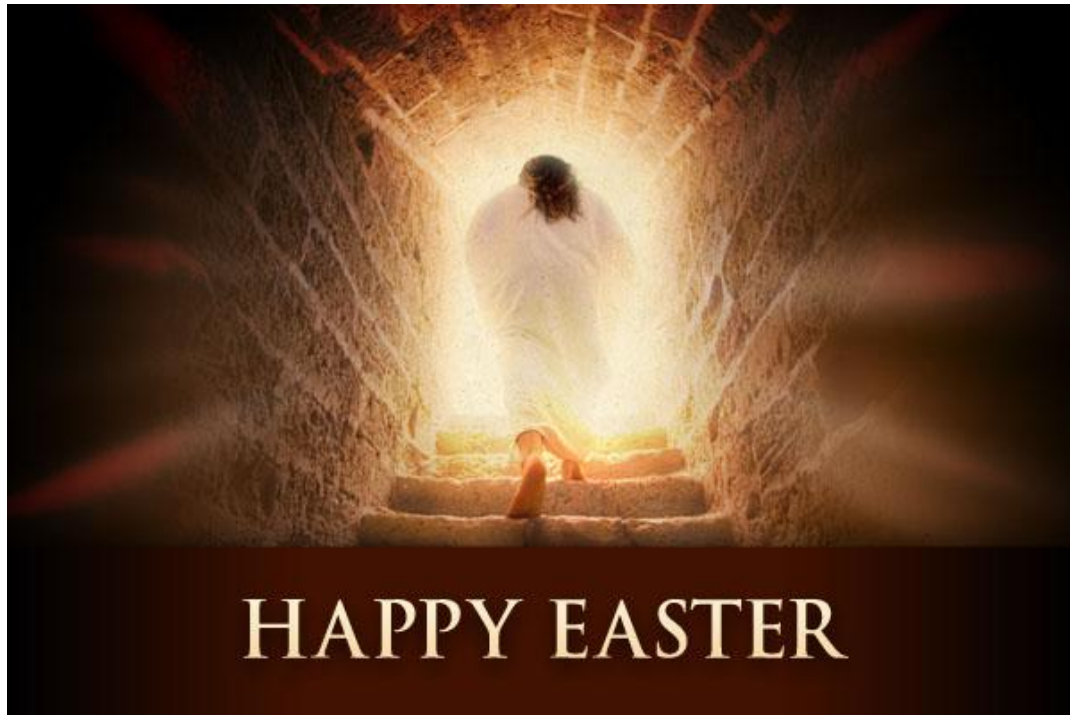




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**Linda Leib Named as Executive Director
and Promotion Coordinator for Bridges**

Linda Leib has agreed to serve as the next Executive Director and Promotion Coordinator of the Bridges Foundation. Linda has served most recently as Secretary for the Bridges Board. Her education includes a Master's Degree in Nursing and she functioned as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner for 30 years. She found the Bridges Ignatian Retreat in Daily Life while earning a Master's Degree in Theology from St. Louis University.



Linda brings her grounding in the Spiritual Exercises as a Prayer Companion and Site Coordinator, commitment to the success of Bridges, attention to detail, and love of God to these new roles. We are thrilled she has taken on another new role for Bridges.

**The Saint Louis University
Bicentennial Lecture Series**

***The Jesuit Influence on American Spirituality,
Education, and Society***

Mark Thibodeaux, SJ, author of *God's Voice Within* (which has been addressed in the Bridges Magis program) gave a well-received lecture on *Discerning Our Role in Creating a Society of Justice and Love* at the College Church at St. Louis University on February 26, as part of the 2018 Saint Louis University Bicentennial Lecture Series. These lectures are free to anyone who would like to attend and reservations are not required. The remaining schedule in the series is as follows:

Jesuit writers, practitioners and scholars will speak on the ageless aspects of Ignatian spirituality and the Jesuit mission.

Mondays in 2018
7-8:30 p.m.
St. Francis Xavier College Church
Grand and Lindell Boulevards

April 16
Lessons from Pope Francis on American Politics and Civic Life
Mark Malone, SJ
Editor-in-Chief, America Magazine; Catholic Press Association award winner

September 24
Reimagining Health Care: Ignatian Insights for Achieving the Greater Good
Michael Rozier, SJ
Researcher and Practitioner, health policy and public health ethics

November 5
Jesuit Education: Do We Need a New Paradigm?

Michael Garanzini, SJ
Secretary of Higher Education, Society of Jesus, Rome; Visiting Professor of Research, Graduate School of Education, Fordham University

Free parking in the Laclede Garage.
Visit the Facebook page @ SLUJesuitMission or call 314-977-7065

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Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J. (1918-2008)

Avery Dulles, S.J., was a Jesuit priest, college professor, theologian and Cardinal of the Catholic Church who is regarded by many as the foremost American Catholic theologian of the post-Vatican II era.



Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J.

He was born in Auburn, New York, on August 24, 1918. His parents are John Foster Dulles, U.S. Secretary of State in the Eisenhower administration (Washington Dulles International Airport is named for him), and Janet Pomeroy Avery Dulles. Avery Dulles' great-grandfather and great-uncle also served as U.S. Secretary of State, and his uncle was Director of Central Intelligence Allen Welsh Dulles. Young Avery attended elementary school in New York City, and secondary schools in Wallingford, Connecticut and in Switzerland. He graduated from Harvard College in 1940, and then spent a year and a half at Harvard Law School before his service in the United States Navy during the Second World War, attaining the rank of lieutenant.

Avery grew up as a Presbyterian but by the time he reached his college years regarded himself as an agnostic. He had a conversion when he observed a tree beginning to flower

along the Charles River one rainy day, and began to feel drawn to the Catholic religion. He converted to Catholicism in the fall of 1940. Following his discharge from the Navy after World War II, he entered the Jesuit novitiate in 1946 and was ordained as a Jesuit priest ten years later. He then spent a year in Germany and went on to the Gregorian University in Rome. Dulles was awarded a doctorate in Sacred Theology in 1960.

Avery Dulles served on the faculty of Woodstock College, a Jesuit seminary in Woodstock, Maryland, from 1960 until it closed in 1974, on that of The Catholic University of America from 1974 to 1988, and at Fordham University from 1988 until several months before his death in 2008. He has been a visiting professor at a dozen seminaries and universities, including the Gregorian University in Rome, Weston School of Theology, Boston College, Notre Dame University, and Campion Hall (Oxford University). He has authored twenty-five books and written more than 700 articles on various theological topics. An internationally known author and lecturer, he has been the recipient of numerous awards including Phi Beta Kappa, the French Croix de guerre, and the Cardinal Spellman Award for distinguished achievement in theology, as well as thirty-three honorary doctorates. He was created a Cardinal of the Catholic Church in Rome in 2001 by Pope John Paul II.

Avery Cardinal Dulles passed away on the morning of December 12th, 2008 at Murray-Weigel Hall, the Jesuit infirmary, located at Fordham University, in Bronx, New York, and was laid to rest at the Jesuit Cemetery in Auriesville, New York. His writings were catalogued by Fordham University Press in 2012 and published as *The Legacy of Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J.: His Words and His Witness*.

Ignatian Community Retreat July 13 and 14, 2018

The Role of the Laity in Today's Church

The Ignatian Community Retreat, sponsored by the Bridges Foundation, is to be held this summer at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, 6400 Minnesota Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63111. The dates are Friday, July 13th from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 14th 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Carol Atwell Ackles is to direct the retreat. This year's topic is *The Role of the Laity in Today's Church*.



Carol Atwell Ackles

Carol Atwell Ackles serves as the Director of the Ignition Spirituality Institute. She offers weekend retreats, the Exercises in Everyday Life, and one-to-one directed retreats at Jesuit retreat houses across the United States. Carol has been a popular retreat leader at the White House Retreat Center in St. Louis. Her awards and credits include: Senior Ignatian Fellow of Montserrat Jesuit Retreat House and a J.D. from SMU Dedman School of Law. She is currently pursuing a Master of Art in Theology and Leadership at Gonzaga University. Among her many written works, she co-authored with Joe Tetlow S.J., *Finding Christ in the World*.

Carol and her husband reside in Dallas and are the parents of five adult children.

The cost of the retreat is \$70 which includes drinks, snacks and a midday meal on Saturday. Further information about the retreat is available on the Bridges web site at bridgesfoundation.org/programs/ignatian-community-retreat. To register by mail, print the online form that you will find at that site, complete it, and mail with a check payable to Bridges Foundation to: Ignatian Community Retreat July 2018, 331 N. New Ballas 410275, St. Louis, MO 63141-9998. To register online, go to bridgesfoundation.org/icr-registration-form. The deadline for registration is June 30, 2018.

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Quarterly issues are sent late in the months of March, June, September, and December. The deadline for submission of material is on the 15th day of each of those months for inclusion in the issue to be mailed later that month. Look for your next issue around the time that the seasons change.

The deadline for submissions to the next issue of the Bridges Newsletter is June 15, 2018. Please send articles, letters, mailing list additions and deletions, and other correspondence to: Tom Simon, Editor, 1730 Derrynane, Manchester, MO 63021, or by email to tsimon@tsimon.com.